



MANAWATU BRANCH

MONTHLY MEETING

Tuesday 12th September, 2017 @ 7.30 p.m.

Palmerston North City Library,
George Street Entrance

“Survival on the Edge – Development of the Wildbase Research Centre”



Photos: From Wildbase website

Speaker: Professor Brett Gartrell
Director of the Wildbase Research Centre, Massey University

Brett will talk about the research, medical and surgical services to wildlife through the Wildbase Hospital.

In global comparisons of biodiversity loss, the native wildlife of New Zealand is clinging to the edge of existence. Many species have been lost and others only survive because of intensive conservation efforts that combat the major drivers of population decline which include the destruction, degradation and fragmentation of native ecosystems, and a prolonged and continuing invasion of a suite of introduced animals.

The mission of Wildbase is to promote and implement collaborative research in wildlife health, with a particular focus on the interactions of wildlife health with the conservation of New Zealand fauna, human health, and domestic animal health.

All welcome. Gold coin donation appreciated

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F&B SEPTEMBER 2017 TRIP

Tour around Wildbase Hospital, Massey University

- Date to be announced. (it will be towards the end of September)
- Time: 3.30 p.m
- To register your interest, please email F&B Manawatu at Manawatu.branch@forestandbird.org.nz giving your name, number of people and your contact phone number.
- The trip is limited to 12 people and if there is enough interest, we will arrange another trip in October.



Wildbase resident Veterinarian Megan Jolly and supervisor wildlife technician Pauline Nijman treating the kiwi.

A feisty brown kiwi, dubbed Albion, from Taranaki was released back into the wild over the weekend after a month-long stay in Massey University's Veterinary Teaching Hospital, Wildbase.

The adult female has been under the care of the Wildbase veterinary team for the last four weeks after she was found caught in a possum trap.